

# ROAD QUESTION IS DISCUSSED OFFICIALLY

Are too many roads being built in Lake county?  
A well defined impression has been created that some improvements have been put in, more for private gain and speculation, rather than to serve a public need, and that as a result taxes have been increased. Up-to-date however no taxpayer has gone on record to point out any specific misappropriations along this line.  
Mat Brown, one of the county commissioners who was in Hammond yesterday morning discussed the subject in informally. He said that a few complaints had come to him in a general way. One of the objections he said was made by a man whose name was then appearing on a petition, and another was made by an East Chicago man who had no property interests in Gary or Calumet township, and the nevertheless complained about improvements going in there.  
"Townships Pay for Roads."  
"The East Chicago man's complaint was plainly based on misinformation," said Mr. Brown. "He was under the impression that he as a North township taxpayer would be assessed for gravel road improvements going in all over the county. The fact is that each township pays for its own county roads."  
"The board of county commissioners has nothing to defend for the number of gravel road contract let" continues

# EDUCATORS SEE REGION VIA AUTO

## Hammond Schoolmaster Takes Twenty-four Distinguished Men Through Calumet Region After Studying School System.

Wilson H. Henderson, of the Hammond public schools proved himself a Calumet region booster from the ground up today when he brought a party of twenty-four prominent educators from all parts of the country to see Superintendent C. M. McDaniel's half and half school system in operation. He escorted the distinguished delegation through the W. B. Conkey plant, the Standard Steel Works and the Reid Murdoch factory this morning. Then he took them to Gary for a tour through the world's largest industry coming back by the way of East Chicago.  
The party was jovial, studious, and good looking. By the half and half system of education it was duly impressed. For the thriving Calumet region members had only words of praise and appreciation. To Henderson, supervisor of Hammond's night school system, every one was grateful.  
On a Conkeyville car a reporter for THE TIMES got the personnel of the party and learned that even Frank Arthur Jones of Ottawa, Canada, F. L. Hutslar of Martinsburg, W. Va., know all about Gary and need no instruction on the greatness of the magic city.  
In part the register of the party is as follows:  
F. L. Hutslar, Martinsburg, W. Va.; Smith Brewer, Edinburg, Ind.; Joseph M. Speer, supervisor, Industrial Education, Pittsburgh, Pa.; H. Fultz, Salem, Ind.; C. S. Thompson, Bonner Springs, Kas.; Supt. E. M. Everhart, Tyndall, S. D.; Principal C. J. Bollinger, Bay City, Mich.; H. M. Leppard, Ottawa, Canada; Frank Arthur Jones, Ottawa, Canada; J. Will Pierce, Washington, Mo.; R. B. Kelley, Syracuse, N. Y.; G. M. Hoyt, Good Hope, Ill.; L. A. Rider, Ellicottville, N. Y.; E. W. Taylor, Randolph, N. Y.; Ralph Bucher, Winchester, Ind.; Charles E. McClure, Plymouth, Ind.; J. H. Davies, Coffeyville, Kas.; L. H. Turner, Industrial Education, Pittsburgh, Pa.; J. H. Minn. Miss Ella Greenwald, Denton, Tex.; Miss M. Helen Higgins, Denton, Tex.; R. G. Sease and wife, Ada, Okla.

# LIGHTS FOR WEST STATE

Fully awake to the progressive moves of East State street and Hohman street business men, West State street property owners met Wednesday evening in Roth's hall. Without parley they voted that an ornamental lighting system be installed at once from the Four Corners to Morton court. The luminous lamp which Hohman street is soon to have was decided upon.  
Jake Schlorer, the shoe merchant, was chairman of the meeting. Dr. J. T. Clark led in the discussion, which was brief and to the point. It was agreed that an increase in rentals would be justified by the installation of lights. The lamps will be placed 75 feet apart and the maintenance of one is to cost about \$40 a year. All expense is borne by the property owner.

## Get Trade Marks.

(Special to THE TIMES.)  
Washington, D. C., Aug. 2.—Trade marks were issued at the patent office as follows: Hammond Knitting company, Hammond, knitted gloves; Charles M. Martz, Arcadia, canned vegetables; Richmond Underwear company, Richmond, knitted underwear; Standard Oil company, Whiting, certain paints and painters' materials; Standard Oil company, Whiting, cylinder and engine oil.

# THEIR COURTSHIP ON PULLMAN TRAIN



Mr. and Mrs. John H. Androit.  
They met at Yellowstone Park a recent summer day; their romance blossomed into full bloom as they speeded east on a Pullman train, and they were married when the train reached Chicago.

# DEMOCRATS HOLD THEIR PRIMARIES

This is the Roman holiday for the Hammond democrats. In all sections of the city voters are going to the polls to cast their ballots for their favorite candidates. The voting started at 1 o'clock and will continue until 9. The results will not be definitely known until about half past 10 or 11 o'clock tonight. Curbstone forecasts were plentiful and the candidates were confident to the last. It was estimated that anywhere from 1,500 to 2,200 votes would be cast. In the county election last fall Ed Simms, the county auditor-elect, who was high man, received 1,800. Judge Becker in his race against "Dick" Schauf four years ago received 2,327 votes against the postmaster's 2,037.  
The eleventh hour charges hurled from the Smalley and the Howat camps show that the democratic party in Hammond is split to the core, statements to the contrary from the leaders notwithstanding.  
Morally a man who goes to the polls today is expected to support the ticket next fall. A voter who is challenged must take an oath that he will support the nominees. Just how one faction can support the other consistently next fall is a problem after what the Howatites said about the Smalley clan and the latter about the physician.  
Fight Grows Bitter Toward End.  
In advertisements appearing last night the Smalley managers tried to crucify Dr. Howat on his school board record. Dr. Howat issued a broadside in the form of a printed circular in which he attempted to take from Smalley some of the credit he claims for his administration.  
Judge McMoran has held mass meetings in Robertsdale and East Hammond. He has able lieutenants on the north side and figures strongly on a strong support in the fifth ward. Within the last week he was attacked twice in print, first by the Smalley men and later by Howat.

# PREPARES FOR COMMISSIONERS

## M. J. Brown In Indianapolis For State Meeting Program.

M. J. Brown, chairman of the board of county commissioners of Lake County, and president of the Indiana County Commissioners' Association, was in Indianapolis yesterday working on the program for the annual meeting of the state association, Sept. 10 and 12, at Gary, Ind. The tentative program is for addresses by Mayor Knotts, Mr. Brown and many others. The entertainment features will include trips through the steel mills, theater parties, "smokers" and vaudeville entertainments. An automobile trip over new roads in Lake County will be a feature.  
If you smoke a La Vender once you will always call for them.—Adv.  
Mr. Workington we want you to buy a package of Union Scout Soap, always good.—McKie-Scottie Tob. Co.

# QUEEN MARY'S BAN ON DIVORCES MAKES AMERICAN WOMEN SCARCE IN LONDON



Many American women have fled London since the queen made it known so positively that she doesn't care to meet divorced women and is so strict about keeping up the rules of the old order of things. The Duchess of Marlborough and Queen Mary at top and Princess Patricia at bottom.

# WOMAN HURLS SELF UNDER R. R. TRAIN

## Indiana Harbor Belt Line Engine Is Juggernaut For Chicago Woman.

Tales of a family quarrel in which a wife was driven from her home, forced to secure work as a servant and finally ended her life by throwing herself in front of a railroad engine, were told at the inquest held today over the body of Mrs. Helene Roth, 1112 North Hermitage avenue in Chicago.  
Mrs. Roth was killed Wednesday evening on the Indiana Harbor Belt Line railroad, in Melrose Park.  
Dr. Henry Engles, 1470 North Carolina street, a brother of Mrs. Roth, testified that his sister had a quarrel with her husband, Joseph Roth, on the night of June 14. He asserted that Roth drove his wife from their home and that he had heard that she was forced to secure work as a servant with a family on Thirty-first street.

# AUTOISTS ARE HURLED FROM MACHINE

A driving shaft which had fallen from the transmission under a big Buick touring car and bored into the gravel road almost cost the six occupants of the machine their deaths on the new Highland-Hessville road last night. The car is owned by Max Ottenheimer, the East Chicago plumber, and was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ottenheimer, the latter holding her two-year-old daughter Marion, while the other seats were occupied by Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Goodfriend of East Chicago and Mrs. J. R. Eichlitz of Dallas, Tex., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Goodfriend.

# DUKE OF RDIGE ROAD IN N. Y.

(Special to THE TIMES.)  
New York, Aug. 2.—Alderman and Mrs. Tim Englehart of Gary are registered at the Herald Square hotel.

# SAYS GIRL'S WEIRD STORY IS FALSEHOOD



Miss Josephine Selwood.  
Frederick S. Nordaunt, president of the National Railway Publishing company, arrested in Chicago on the charge of abducting seventeen-year-old Josephine Selwood, a pretty department store employee, declares his arrest was a "frame-up." Nordaunt is out under \$2,000 bond.  
The girl charges that Nordaunt, who is fifty years old and married, flitted with her in the department store, took her to dinners and to the theater, and then, under the name of "Jack Randolph," went through a fake marriage ceremony with her.

# TRAIN DERAILED ON BRIDGE

## Narrow Escape From Disaster Near Muncie, Ind.

Muncie, Ind., Aug. 2.—A miraculous escape from death and injury took place early yesterday when the tender of the New York Central Limited No. 20, the fast East-bound train, jumped the track on the middle of a 200-foot bridge five miles west of Muncie. The train ran a third of a mile, when four Pullman cars left the track. Although two steel rails were driven through the floor of one of the Pullmans, not a single passenger or trainman was injured.

# GOOD HEAVENS! HOBART WANTS TO BE A CITY

The question as to whether Hobart should take on a new dress by adopting a city form of government will be considered next Wednesday evening when the members of the Commercial club and citizens in general will be addressed by Hon. V. S. Reiter, Judge of the Superior court, and Attorney L. L. Bomberger, of Hammond. These gentlemen are too well known as public speakers to need special mention and owing to the importance of the question to be considered the Auditorium where the meeting will be held should be crowded. Let everybody turn out.—Hobart Gazette.  
A Gas Range does away with dirt.—No. 12d. Gas & Elec. Co.

# FORMER HAMMOND WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN HOTEL BROODS O'ER SON'S DEATH

## Chloroform Saturated Kerchief Ends Life of Mrs. Bert S. Church in Chicago

Death of her only son and divorce from her husband drove Mrs. Bert S. Church, formerly of Hammond, insane and last evening she committed suicide at the Hotel LaSalle in Chicago. She had threatened to kill herself a year ago.  
The lifeless body of Mrs. Church, who was the divorced wife of the manager of the Sinclair Packing company of Cedar Rapids, Ia., was found in a room at the hotel. The handles of a black leather handbag were tied together at the back of her head so as to hold a chloroform saturated handkerchief over her nostrils.  
Motive REVEALED BY LETTER.  
It is believed by the police and hotel officials that she committed suicide. The motive probably will be made clear today when a sealed letter addressed to her husband will be opened by Coroner Hoffmann. She had been stopping at the hotel since Wednesday.  
The Churches are well known in Hammond. They resided at the Hotel Majestic for several years when Mr. Church was superintendent of the Hammond Packing Company.  
DEED WAS PREMEDITATED.  
Mrs. Church had undressed and gone to bed. She had turned off the lights, but had turned on the electric fan—and that fact remains puzzling, for the hotel detectives are at loss to explain why one seeking death by chloroform should concern herself about improving the ventilation.  
Mrs. Church before her marriage was a Chicago girl. Her maiden name was Alice Cooke, and she was a daughter of John A. Cooke who previous to his death several years ago was a prominent clothing man of this city.  
TELLS OF HER TROUBLES.  
Light was shed on the case by a brother-in-law of the dead woman, Dr. Thomas Coleman, a physician with offices at 6302 South Halsted street, in Chicago. Since she obtained a divorce from her husband, over two months ago, Mrs. Church had resided with Dr. and Mrs. Coleman at their home at 6451 South Green street.  
"I believe that my sister-in-law was mentally unbalanced," said Dr. Coleman. "Since the death of her only son, Maurice James Church, from spinal meningitis, which occurred on his birthday in 1912, when he was twenty years of age, she has acted queerly, and I am convinced that his loss was a blow from which she was unable to recover."  
HAD SUE FOR DIVORCE.  
"She came to Chicago several months ago to file a suit for divorce. What she charged him with I do not know, as she never confided in either my wife or me regarding it, and the facts were not made public at the time. Since obtaining the divorce and \$150 per month alimony about ten weeks ago, she had resided at my home. On the occasion of her departure a few days ago of my wife and her mother for a vacation at Grand Junction, Mich. she left the house and went to the Hotel LaSalle."  
ONLY TWO LETTERS FOUND.  
There were only two letters found in Mrs. Church's personal effects, the sealed one and one addressed by Dr. Coleman. The latter was evidently written on Tuesday, and is as follows: "Dear Tom: Called at 3006 Wentworth three times today—not even an answer from Dr. Frost. Would have been glad to have heard his familiar voice. Will have to try again."  
Just what time death occurred could not be ascertained. At the hotel it was stated by House Officer Abrams that on Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Church had complained she was not feeling well. Later she went out for a walk and from that time was not seen again.  
HUSBAND IS NOTIFIED.  
Mrs. Owen C. Egan, 355 East 56th street, and Mrs. Thomas Coleman, sister of Mrs. Church, are out of the city at present.  
Bert S. Church, the former husband, has been notified and a telegram has been received from him by Dr. Coleman saying that he will come at once to Chicago.  
Mrs. Church is well known in Kenwood society and club circles. She was before her removal to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, one of the leading members of the Drexel Circle. She was also well known in the Iowa city, and was a member of the Hammond Woman's Club at the time of her residence here. She attended St. Paul's Episcopal church when she was in Iowa and was in a sanitarium in Des Moines for some time.

# MEETS FEARFUL DEATH

Lawrence Stefano, whose address was given as 3803 Butternut street, Indiana Harbor, met his death yesterday at the Inland Mill, when he was caught between two moulds and his head badly crushed. Death is thought to have been instantaneous. The man was employed as switchman on the narrow gauge railroad at the Inland and the accident happened at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon.  
Burns and McGuan took the body to their morgue and on investigation found there was no such number as the one given in Butternut street, and none of the neighbors thereabouts seemed to know of a Lawrence Stefano. An inquest will be held today when it is expected that more will be learned of the dead man, and his correct address established.

# GETS INFORMATION ON MEXICAN AFFAIRS



Reginald F. del Valle, the government's secret envoy to Mexico, who brought back valuable information concerning affairs in that country, is one of the men from whom the president is getting the information from which he will make his decision regarding the part this country will play in the settlement of the Mexican trouble.

# BANKERS REJOICE AT NEWS

Gary bankers are overjoyed over Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo's order directing that the government treasury transfer \$50,000,000 to western and southwestern banks during crop moving time.  
The bankers had anticipated a halt on building loans in Gary this fall because of the crop demands.  
"The timely action of the government," said one Gary banker, "will serve to keep up strong reserves in Chicago, which will mean that money will be looser in Gary."  
"This action of Secretary McAdoo the Gary banker says will be great benefit not only to Gary but to Hammond, East Chicago, Whiting, and Indiana Harbor as well."

# 59 DEATHS AND 72 BIRTHS IN GARY

The secretary of the Gary board of health announces that there were 59 deaths in Gary during the month of July. Of this number 6 were caused by accidents.  
There were 37 boys and 35 girls born during the month. The net gain to the city is 18.